

**Introduced by Senators Kuehl, Kehoe, and Migden**

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Senate Resolution No. 31—Relative to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Pride Month.

1 WHEREAS, The State of California and the United States of  
2 America have historically stood for the principles of equality and  
3 justice wherein all people have inalienable rights, including life,  
4 liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; and  
5 WHEREAS, California and America’s diversity is one of our  
6 greatest strengths; and  
7 WHEREAS, To achieve a just and fair society, we must teach  
8 our children to respect one another, to appreciate our differences,  
9 and to recognize the common good in all of us; and  
10 WHEREAS, Our great state protects its residents from  
11 discrimination and harassment based on actual or perceived race,  
12 color, religion, ancestry, ethnicity, national origin, physical or  
13 mental ability, medical condition, sex, including gender identity,  
14 or sexual orientation; and  
15 WHEREAS, Lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people  
16 have made important and lasting contributions to our great state  
17 and nation in every field of endeavor, including business,  
18 medicine, law, humanities, science, literature, politics, education,  
19 music, philanthropy, sports, arts, and culture that enrich our  
20 national life; and  
21 WHEREAS, Lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people  
22 come from all walks of life regardless of race, color, religion,  
23 ancestry, ethnicity, national origin, economic status, physical or  
24 mental ability, medical condition, sex, or gender identity; and

1 WHEREAS, While our great state and nation have come a  
2 long way in our journey toward dignity, understanding, and  
3 mutual respect for all, we still have a long way to go in  
4 eradicating the prejudice and discrimination that lesbian, gay,  
5 bisexual, and transgender people face; and

6 WHEREAS, To build a stronger and better state and nation,  
7 we must continue to help advance the cause of equality for all  
8 people, including lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people;  
9 and

10 WHEREAS, The month of June marks the anniversary of the  
11 Stonewall Rebellion that gave birth to the modern lesbian, gay,  
12 bisexual, and transgender civil rights movement; and

13 WHEREAS, Lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender  
14 Americans, their families and friends, and all those committed to  
15 justice and equality celebrate during the month of June the  
16 notable achievements and outstanding service that lesbian, gay,  
17 bisexual, and transgender Americans make to our great state and  
18 nation; now, therefore, be it

19 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California,* That the  
20 Senate proclaims June 2006 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and  
21 Transgender Pride Month, and urges all residents to join in  
22 celebrating the accomplishments and contributions of lesbian,  
23 gay, bisexual, and transgender people, and encourages the people  
24 of California to work to help advance the cause of equality for  
25 lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people; and be it further

26 *Resolved,* That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of  
27 this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.